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31 Jul 67.

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SECTION I (U) SIGNIFICANT ORGANIZATION OR UNIT ACTIVITIES

1. (C) General:

a. The organizational structure of this battalion is as follows:

ASSIGNED

HQ & HQ Battery, 1st Battalion (AW) (SP) 44th Artillery
Battery A, 1st Battalion (AW) (SP) 44th Artillery
Battery B, 1st Battalion (AW) (SP) 44th Artillery
Battery C, 1st Battalion (AW) (SP) 44th Artillery
Battery D, 1st Battalion (AW) (SP) 44th Artillery

ATTACHED

Battery G (Machinegun Caliber .50), 65th Artillery
Battery G (Searchlight), 29th Artillery (Administration and
Courts-Martial Jurisdiction)

b. The battalion remained under the operational control of the 3d Marine Division during the reporting period and the positioning of units as reported in previous ORLL remains unchanged. Battery G (SLT), 29th Artillery deployed five sections of searchlights out of the 3d Marine Division TAOR. They were replaced by a USMC searchlight unit. Battery G, 29th Artillery headquarters remains at Da Nang, and its searchlight sections are supporting USMC and U.S. Army units in the I Corps Tactical Zone from Da Nang south.

c. The primary mission of the battalion continues to be that of direct ground support of 3d Marine Division elements as announced in the last ORLL. The battalion maintains its capability to perform its air defense mission as a secondary role.

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2. (C) Intelligence:

The battalion continued to participate in the 3d Marine Division intelligence programs. The Battalion S2 attended daily intelligence briefings conducted by the 3d Marine Division (FWD) and conducted a daily intelligence briefing for the battalion staff and batteries located at the Dong Ha Combat Base. Battery D located at Phu Bai obtained its daily intelligence summaries and briefings from the 4th Marine Regiment, while Battery C at Camp J.J. Carroll obtained its intelligence by attending 3d Marine Regiment briefings. The Battalion S2 also forwarded pertinent intelligence to Batteries C and D. Personnel of the battalion continued to perform daylight patrols outside Sector II of the Dong Ha Combat Base. Personnel manning M42's and M55's that provided security for engineer personnel working on roads in the area often established contact with the civilian populace. On several occasions they obtained reports of enemy positions and planned artillery/mortar attacks. These reports were passed to the supported Marine units for action. There was a general increase in enemy activity in the area from Dong Ha to the DMZ during the past quarter. The enemy mounted coordinated mortar, rocket, and artillery attacks against U.S. and GVN bases to divert attention from true objectives. In early May battalion-sized ground attacks were launched concurrently at Quang Tri and Con Thien. The enemy continued his H & I artillery program against Con Thien and the Provisional Artillery Battalion at Gio Linh. Dong Ha Combat Base came under heavy nighttime attacks, and in July for the first time, the base received H & I fires during daylight hours. Agent reports, observed muzzle flashes, and electronic equipment have determined the position of the enemy artillery pieces to be approximately 8-10KM northwest of the Dong Ha Combat Base. This attests to the ability of the enemy to move large artillery weapons well south of the DMZ and to keep them well concealed and camouflaged from friendly forces. Based on the above, it is conceivable that the enemy could launch ground attacks on friendly units in the area supported by artillery from both north and south of the DMZ. Aircraft supporting Marine ground forces were also fired upon by surface-to-air missiles as far south as Dong Ha. An increase of enemy sightings was reported at almost every point and sizeable engagements fought north of Con Thien indicated increased enemy infiltration through the DMZ. Enemy attempts to interdict Route 1 with artillery shells being used as mines, in addition to the standard Soviet and Chicom products, continued. In late July, a spoiled enemy ambush between Ca Lu and Khe Sanh on Route 9 indicated that the enemy still has the ability to conduct well planned and thorough ambushes of motor convoys in forces up to regimental size.

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3. (C) Operations and Training Activities:

a. Plans:

Continue direct support of USMC combat forces in the 3d Marine Division tactical area of responsibility.

b. Operations:

(1) The battalion and elements of Battery G, 65th Artillery have participated in the following operations during the reporting periods:

Prairie IV - 1 May 67 to 29 May 67 (Batteries A, B and C)
Hickory I - 17 May 67 to 28 May 67 (Batteries A, B and C)
Cimarron - 1 Jun 67 to 2 Jul 67 (Batteries A, B and C)
Buffalo - 2 Jul 67 to 14 Jul 67 (Batteries A and B)
Hickory II - 14 Jul 67 to 16 Jul 67 (Batteries A, B. and C)
Kingfisher - 16 Jul 67 to Present (Batteries A, B and C)
Crockett - 1 May 67 to 16 Jul 67 (Battery A)
Ardmore - 16 Jul 67 to Present (Battery A)
Highrise - 1 May 67 to Present (Battery A)
Shawnee - 1 May 67 to 20 May 67 (Battery D)
Cumberland - 20 May 67 to Present (Battery D)
Choctaw - 1 May 67 to 10 Jul 67 (Battery D)
Fremont - 11 Jul 67 to Present (Battery D)

(2) During the reporting period, perimeter defense of Dong Ha Combat Base was provided by M42 weapons of Batteries A and B; perimeter defense of Camp J.J. Carroll was provided by Battery C; and Battery D provided perimeter defense of Phu Bai. M55 weapons of Battery G, 65th Artillery were utilized daily primarily for convoy security escorts throughout the I Corps Tactical Zone in support of USMC operations.

(3) The battalion and attached units were engaged in tactical operations daily throughout the reporting period (92 days). Inclosure 1 lists significant missions performed by the battalion and Battery G, 65th Artillery. At the end of the quarterly period ending 31 July 1967, the battalion was tactically deployed in direct support as follows:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>
HHB/1/44	Dong Ha	1st Battalion, 44th Artillery
A(-)/1/44	Dong Ha	9th Marine Regiment

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UNIT	LOCATION	UNIT SUPPORTED
B(-)/1/44	Dong Ha	9th Marine Regiment
C(-)/1/44	J.J. Carroll	3d Marine Regiment
D(-)/1/44	Phu Bai	4th Marine Regiment
G(-)/65	Dong Ha	9th Marine Regiment
A/1/44 1 Section	Khe Sanh	Senior Officer Present 3d Marine Division.
A/1/44 2 Sections	Gio Linh	12th Marine Provisional Battalion
B/1/44 2 Sections	Vic Cam Lo	2d Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment
B/1/44 1 Squad	Quang Tri	U.S.A. Advisory Group
B/1/44 1 Section	Con Thien	3d Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment
C/1/44 1 Squad	Khe Gio Bridge	3d Marine Regiment
C/1/44 1 Section	Ca Lu	3d Marine Regiment
C/1/44 3 Squads	Rockpile	3d Marine Regiment
D/1/44 2 Sections	Camp Evans	2d Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment
D/1/44 2 Sections	Operation Cumberland	4th Marine Regiment
D/1/44 1 Squad	Rock Quarry	4th Marine Regiment
G/65 1 Squad	Khe Sanh	Senior Officer Present 3d Marine Division

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<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>UNIT SUPPORTED</u>
G/65 1 Squad	Lang Vei	Special Forces Camp
G/65 3 Squads	Camp J.J. Carroll	Battery C, 1st Battalion, 44th Artillery
G/65 5 Squads	Phu Bai	Battery D, 1st Battalion, 44th Artillery
G/65 3 Squads	Camp Evans	2d Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment
G/65 3 Squads	Con Thien	3d Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment

c. Training:

(1) Regulation Number 350-1, Headquarters, 1st Battalion (AW)(SP) 44th Artillery, was published 11 July 1967. The purpose of the regulation is to provide guidance to units of this battalion on planning, conducting, and supervising the military training of all assigned and attached personnel.

(2) The majority of the daily training program (92 days) was concentrated on OJT at the section and squad level due to the influx of new personnel under the infusion program. Although these personnel were transferred from a similar type unit, the efficiency of the units was somewhat impaired until the crews had ample opportunity to train together as a team.

(3) The requirement for squad and section level training was also necessary due to the wide dispersion of battery elements throughout the I Corp Tactical Zone. There has been no time when an entire battery has been together to allow for battery size classes.

(4) A training program has been set up at battery level to allow new personnel from CONUS to become integrated into the unit operation prior to their commitment to actual combat situation.

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d. Chemicals: 3d MARDIV directed that personnel deployed to field locations would be required to have individual protective masks in their possession at all times. There have been reports of possible enemy use of chemical irritant agents in this tactical area. Proper fitting and testing of protective masks is stressed in the unit training program.

e. PSYWAR: The battalion continued its Reward Program in accordance with 3d Marine Division Order 7230.1 dated 6 February 1967. Leaflets and posters obtained through USMC channels were distributed to the civilian populace by M42 and M55 crews providing security along primary road nets in the area. In addition, battalion personnel on patrols carry leaflets and posters that are shown to Vietnamese civilians encouraging them to reveal the location of enemy mines and booby traps. During the reporting period a total of VN\$1080 was paid to civilians for actual delivery of explosives.

4. (C) Logistics: Logistic support and maintenance during the reporting period have greatly improved. However, some maintenance support problems continue to exist and have hampered the tactical mission of the battalion. Many pieces of signal communication equipment have been lost in support maintenance channels. Repair parts, particularly for the M42 weapons system, continue to be in short supply.

5. (C) Civil Affairs:

a. Dai An Hamlet (YD 270590)

The battalion has actively supported a pig cooperative project for the hamlet by preparing plans and supplying materials for a shelter 16 X 40 feet, capable of housing 110 pigs. Local villagers accomplished all manual labor on the construction of the shelter, and it is near completion. In addition, the battalion obtained nine (9) forty pound pigs from the 29th CA Company in Da Nang for delivery to the villagers to supplement their existing stock. The pigs are being fed from mess hall waste delivered daily by the battalion to the hamlet.

b. During the quarterly reporting period, the battalion employed 10-20 local nationals daily from Ha Thanh (YD 220699) refugee hamlet for the purpose of filling sand bags for bunkers and gun positions. Those laborers were paid with USAID commodities under the supervision of the Battalion Executive Officer.

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c. MEDCAP:

(1) The battalion surgeon and medical section treated approximately 2,000 patients in connection with MEDCAP during the reporting period. The patients were visited and treated at the following locations:

Dai An (YD 259398, new village location)
Thon Cam Lo (YD 143597)
Dong Ha (YD 236608)
Cua Valley (YD 099526)
Ha Thanh (YD 220699)

(2) When any serious pathology was discovered during the Battalion MEDCAP program, the Vietnamese national was transported by the Battalion Medical Section to the civilian hospital at Quang Tri for further evaluation and treatment.

6. (G) Personnel:

a. Awards and Decorations: During the period 1 May 1967 to 31 July 1967, the battalion and attached units sustained seventy (70) battle casualties of which seven (7) were killed in action. Eighty-nine (89) awards were presented during the reporting periods:

(1) Silver Star	- 2 (Posthumously)
(2) Bronze Star w/"V" device	- 10
(3) Bronze Star	- 3 (one Posthumously)
(4) Army Commendation w/"V" device	- 7
(5) Purple Heart	- 67 (seven Posthumously)

b. Religious Activities: A Memorial Chapel was constructed by personnel of the battalion and Battery G, 65th Artillery during the month of May 1967. The building, constructed to seat 100 people, has a cement floor and plywood siding. The roof is galvanized tin and a raised platform extends across one end of the chapel. The Battalion Chaplain provided a Vietnamese motif in the interior of the chapel with the use of palm matting material for the sides and the ceiling. Double doors of mahogany were purchased on the local economy.

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c. **Education:** An active GED testing program is being conducted by the battalion. Since 1 June 1967, seven (7) individuals have taken the high school GED test and ten (10) individuals have taken the college general examinations. Eighteen (18) other individuals started taking tests during the reporting period.

7. (C) **Artillery:**

a. **Ammunition expended 1 May - 31 July 1967:**

40mm - 120,403 rounds.
Caliber .50 - 209,408 rounds.

b. **Ammunition expended to date:**

40mm - 324,567 rounds.
Caliber .50 - 936,515 rounds.

8. (C) **Other:**

a. The 3d Platoon, Battery G (SLT), 29th Artillery was replaced in this TAOR by a USMC searchlight battery.

b. Since M42 and M55 perimeter positions are generally located to provide good observation and fields of fire, areas adjacent to these weapons afford excellent positions for individual searchlights. Liaison has been established with the USMC searchlight unit, and coordination for emplacement of searchlights in conjunction with battalion automatic weapons has proven effective.

SECTION II (C) COMMANDERS' OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Part I, Observations (Lessons Learned)

1. (U) **Personnel:** NONE.

2. (C) **Operations:**

a. **Item:** The M42 employed as a prime mover for towed artillery over difficult terrain.

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on sweeping operations can make several changes of position to prevent the enemy from getting them within accurate mortar and artillery range. The rapid fire of the M42 will generally cause the enemy to break contact.

3. (C) Training and Organization:

Items: Qualification of newly assigned personnel.

Discussion: Replacement personnel are being assigned to the unit as M42 and M55 crew members, with very little or no training on this equipment.

Observations: Individuals arriving in Vietnam from CONUS must be given transition training by the battalion prior to being assigned to a crew. However, personnel and equipment are not always available to train large groups of replacement personnel.

4. (C) Intelligence:

Items: On 22 July 1967, a NVA force ambushed an engineer work party vic XD 9745, preparing the road for movement of an artillery battery.

Discussion: Booby traps were set up about 30 meters apart on both sides of the road for a distance of 1500 meters. The only road exit from the "kill zone" was blocked by command detonated mines. Shape charges were attached to trees on both sides of the road at the same height as the turret of the M42 vehicles acting as escort. At the entrance to the area a pyramid of sticks was observed along the roadside with its apex pointed toward the ambush area.

Observations: The enemy is able to utilize his intelligence concerning movement of priority forces and the capability of our escort weapons to execute large scale ambushes. Friendly forces must remain alert to these capabilities and train personnel on the detection of possible signs of enemy activity.

5. (C) Logistics:

Items: A central issue facility should be established at the 1st Logistical Command Task Force located at the Dong Ha Combat Base.

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Discussions: Two sections of M42's providing convoy security escort for Marine 105mm towed artillery on the road to Con Thien were subjected to a NVA mortar attack. The weather was extremely adverse, and the dirt road was a mire of mud. Wheeled vehicles towing four artillery pieces were disabled by the enemy activity. The howitzers were attached to the towing pintle of the M42 and towed over difficult terrain to their destination.

Observations: The M42 can maneuver in isolated and rough terrain. The eyelet of a 105mm howitzer will fit the towing pintle on the M42. If the prime mover of a towed howitzer breaks down, an M42 can be used in an emergency to tow the howitzer.

b. Item: The M42 employed as a countermortar weapon.

Discussions: Two squads of M42's were assigned perimeter defense mission of the Khe Sanh airstrip. The base was subjected to an enemy rocket and mortar attack. The enemy's 82mm mortars were emplaced within range of the M42's. When muzzle flashes were sighted at a distance of approximately 3000 meters, the M42's quickly returned a voluminous rate of fire and neutralized the mortar positions.

Observations: The M42 is an extremely effective direct support weapon when employed within its range capabilities. If the crews are diligent and observe flashes immediately, they can adjust tracer ammunition and place a devastating volume of fire on enemy positions. The M42 can effectively neutralize enemy mortar positions not in defilade within 3500 meters range.

c. Item: The M42 employed as a ground support weapon on sweep and clear operations.

Discussions: Four M42's provided close fire support for infantry and engineer elements for one month during clearing of a firebreak along the DMZ. The thick vegetation restricted visibility and caused the 40mm HE rounds to detonate before they reached the enemy positions. However, when placed on high ground with good visibility, the 40mm fire was accurate and effective in neutralizing enemy positions.

Observations: M42's, if at all possible, should keep out of dense foliage. If they must enter into these areas, infantry should screen the front and flanks of the M42 employing tank-infantry tactics. Firing sites should always have good visibility and command of the terrain. M42's

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Discussions: The present limited storage facilities for the battalion pose a problem for the supply section in storing quantities of clothing and equipment.

Observation: A central issue facility would allow issue to each individual as he processes into his respective battalion.

Part II, Recommendations

1. (U) Personnel: NONE.

2. (C) Operations:

a. Recommend M42 crews be informed of the capability of the M42 to act as prime mover for towed artillery under emergency conditions.

b. Recommend that units supported by automatic weapons systems be objectively informed of the capabilities and vulnerabilities of the M42 and M55 weapon systems in the ground support role. This battalion establishes liaison with each supported unit to insure there is an understanding of the proper employment of the automatic weapons system in the ground support role.

3. (C) Training and Operations: Recommend the AIT program for automatic weapons crews place special emphasis on the ground support role to include countermortar fire, perimeter defense, and infantry supported operations. This unit gives individuals arriving in Vietnam from CONUS transition training prior to their participation in combat operations.

4. (C) Intelligence: Recommend intelligence training on enemy capabilities and employment be integrated into each unit training schedule.

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5. (C) Logistics: Recommend a central issue facility be established
at the task force supporting Army artillery units in the Dong Ha area.

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HEADQUARTERS I FIELD FORCE VIETNAM ARTILLERY, APO 96350

23 August 1967

TO: Commanding General, I Field Force Vietnam, ATTN: AVFA-GC-OT, APO 96350

1. Concur in the observations and recommendations contained in the basic communications.

2. Reference Section I, paragraph 8b. The employment of M42s and M55s in conjunction with searchlights is amplified in the Operational Report of Lessons Learned for quarterly period ending 31 July 1967, submitted by Headquarters, I Field Force Vietnam Artillery.

3. Reference Section II, Part II, paragraph 2a. This information will be disseminated in a future I FFORCEV Arty Newsletter.

4. Reference Section II, Part II, paragraph 3. Refresher and transition training is required for all replacement personnel prior to participating in combat operations, by Headquarters, I Field Force Vietnam Artillery.

5. Reference Section II, Part II, paragraph 5. Even though the Base Development Plan for the DONG HA area has not been approved, adequate space has been provided in the plan for battalion storage facilities. Construction materials have been made available by the DONG HA Sub-Area Command, which will allow the battalions to construct cover for supplies and equipment. RDD for materials is 22 August 1967.

6. 1st Bn, 44th Arty UIC is WDD1A.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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HEADQUARTERS, I FIELD FORCE VIETNAM, APO 96350

13 Sep 67

TO: Commanding General, United States Army Vietnam, APO 96375

This headquarters has reviewed the 1st Battalion, 44th Artillery Operational Report of Lessons Learned for the quarterly period ending 31 July 1967 and pertinent comments follow:

a. Reference paragraph 3e (page 6), Psywar: The Engineer Section, Headquarters, IFFORCEV is conducting a feasibility study of such a system.

b. Reference paragraph 5, Section II, Part I (pages 10 and 11) - Commander's Observations: Concur. A request of this type should be submitted through appropriate channels.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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AVHQC-DST (9 Aug 67) 3d Ind
SUBJECT: Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the Period Ending
31 July 1967 (RCS CSFOR-65) (U)

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY VIETNAM, APO San Francisco 963751 8 OCT 1967

TO: Commander in Chief, United States Army, Pacific, ATTN: GPOP-OT,
APO 96558

1. (U) This headquarters has reviewed the Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the period ending 31 July 1967 from Headquarters, 1st Battalion, (AW) (SP) 44th Artillery (DDLA) as indorsed.

2. (C) Pertinent comment follows: Reference item concerning training and operations; paragraph 3, page 11. Concur. Recommend appropriate service school consider inclusion of subjects as outlined. However, increased CONUS training will not eliminate in-country replacement training as outlined in USARV Regulation 350-1.

3. (U) Unit will be notified of actions and comments by routine indorsement which returns this report.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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SUBJECT: Operational Report for the Quarterly Period Ending 31 July 1967
from HQ, 1st Battalion (AW)(SF), 44th Artillery (UIC: WDDLAA)
(RCS CSFOR-65)

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HQ, US ARMY, PACIFIC, APO San Francisco 96558 14 NOV 1967

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department of the
Army, Washington, D. C. 20310

This headquarters has evaluated subject report and forwarding
indorsements and concurs in the report as indorsed.

FOR THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF:



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<u>DATE</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
1 May 67 to Present	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Remained direct support 3d Marine Division Senior Officer Present, Khe Sanh.
1 May 67 to Present	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Remained direct support Provisional Artillery Battalion, Gio Linh.
1 May 67 to Present	One Sqd 1/44	Remained direct support U.S. Army Advisory Group, Quang Tri. Utilized for perimeter as security.
1 May 67 to Present	One Sqd C/1/44	Remained as security at Khe Gio Bridge.
1 May 67 to Present	One Sect C/1/44	Remained direct support 3d Marine Regiment at Ca Lu.
1 May 67 to Present	Three Sqds C/1/44	Remained direct support 3d Marine Regiment at Rockpile.
1 May 67 to 8 May 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Direct support 1st Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment south of Quang Tri via La Vang (YD 378455). Returned to Dong Ha 081525H May 67.
1 May 67 to Present	Two Sects D/1/44	Remained direct support 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, Operations Shawnee and Cumberland.
1 May 67 to Present	Two Sects D/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Remained direct support 4th Marine Regiment, Operations Choctaw and Fronton.
1 May 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received 17 rounds 105mm artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
1 May 67	One Sect G/65	Roughrider security escort from Phu Bai to Operation Shawnee.
030020H May 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received four (4) mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
030700H May 67	Two Sects D/1/44	Elements received unknown number of mortar rounds while in direct support Operation Shawnee.

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030755H May 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Elements working on fire break between Con Thien and Gio Linh received 8 incoming mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
032217H May 67	D(-)/1/44	Elements at Phu Bai underwent mortar attack. M42's fired 131 40mm rounds at mortar flashes with unknown results. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
042015H May 67	C(-)/1/44	Direct support 3d Marine Regiment fired 98 rounds at VC in open (YD 070588) with unknown results.
052100H to 052200H May 67	- Two Sects B/1/44	Elements at Con Thien received approximately 12 enemy 82mm mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
071340H May 67	One Sqd A/1/44	Direct support of 1st Battalion 4th Marine Regiment on strip from Gio Linh to Con Thien. One (1) M42 hit a mine vic Tan Linh (YD 181728). Disabled vehicle towed by A/1/44 element from Gio Linh to Battalion area for repair. One (1) WIA A/1/44, (MINEVAC) (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 071800H May 67).
071503H May 67	One Sqd C/1/44	Direct support 3d Marine Regiment. One (1) M42 went off bridge near CP 45 north of Ca Lu vic XD 998476. Accident occurred while two (2) M42s were on escort mission from Rockpile to Ca Lu. Three (3) EM killed C/1/44 (NON-BATTLE) (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 071800H May 67). Vehicle recovered but extensively damaged.
080245H May 67	1/44 (-) C(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base received 30 enemy 140mm spin stabilized rocket rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

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080245H May 67	C(-)/1/44 One Sect G/65	Elements at Camp J.J. Carroll received 25 enemy 102mm fin stabilized rocket rounds. One (1) 2 1/2 ton truck C/1/44 received minor engine damage. C/1/44 fired 330 rounds 40mm counter battery fire from perineter positions. Two (2) KIA C/1/44 (NON-MEDEVAC) (Ref: 1/44 SITREP for 081800H May 67 and 091800H May 67).
080245H to 080410H May 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received 150 rounds mixed enemy mortar/artillery fire. Minor damage to equipment. No USA casualties.
080245H to 080530H May 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Con Thien perineter came under mortar and ground attack at 080300H May 67 by estimated NVA battalion. M42s fired 240 rounds of 40mm in perineter defense. One (1) M42 damaged beyond repair. Three (3) M42s moderately damaged and replaced. Two (2) KIA B/1/44. Nine (9) WIA B/1/44 (MEDEVAC) (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 081800H May 67).
080700H to 081845H May 67	Two Sqds G/65	Accompanied 11th Engineer sweep team from Dong Ha to Gio Linh. Three (3) culverts blown on Highway 1 north were repaired by the engineers.
9 May 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Elements operating vic Con Thien received 10 rounds 82mm mortar fire. M42s fired 200 rounds countermortar fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
090900H to 091300H May 67	One Sect G/65	Roughrider convoy security escort in support of 9th Mtr Trans Bn from Dong Ha to Phu Bai.
102000H May 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Elements at Con Thien received 15 enemy 75mm or 105mm artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

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110925H May 67	One Sqd A/1/44	One (1) M42 hit an AT mine while on daylight patrol outside Dong Ha Combat Base vic YD 2/1569. One (1) track blown off, two (2) road wheels and compensating wheel destroyed. Vehicle recovered and repaired. One (1) WIA A/1/44 (NON-MEDEVAC) (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 111800H May 67).
110930H to 111740H May 67	One Sect C/1/44	Dispatched as convoy security escort for Roughrider convoy from Dong Ha to Khe Sanh.
111440H May 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Elements at Con Thien received 12-15 rounds 60mm mortar fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
112120H May 67	One Sqd C/1/44	M42 on perimeter at Camp J.J. Carroll fired destruction mission at suspected NVA location vic YD 054582. Target coverage good. Results unknown.
120730H to 131030H May 67	One Sect C/1/44	Security for 11th Engineer Battalion mine sweep vic YD 922398.
120700H to 141800H May 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received intermittent enemy mortar/artillery H & I fire throughout reporting period. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
121315H and 121405H May 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Received 3 enemy 60mm rounds at Con Thien resulting in one (1) KIA B/1/44 and two (2) WIA B/1/44 (MEDEVAC). Twenty (20) more 60mm rounds reported at 121400H May 67. No USA casualties, light damage to equipment. (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 121800H May 67).
130800H to 131800H May 67	Two Sects C/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Provided convoy security for Roughrider convoy from Dong Ha to Khe Sanh.
13 May 67	One Sect B/1/44	Elements at Con Thien received 100 rounds 60mm fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
14 May 67	One Sect B/1/44	Elements at Con Thien received sporadic NVA mortar/artillery H & I fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

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160600H to
291200H May 67

Two Sects B/1/44

Deployed in direct support 1st Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, Operation Hickory I. Provided security for USMC convoys to Con Thien and returned to field positions of 1st Battalion 8th Marine Regiment via YD 155614 during Operation Hickory I. Reverted to direct support 2d Battalion 3d Marine Regiment via Can Lo 291200H May 67.

16 May 67

Two Sects B/1/44

Direct support 2d Battalion 26th Marine Regiment search and destroy operation in area between Can Lo and Con Thien. At 161800H May 67 the four (4) M42s with two (2) M55s (returning from engineer sweep) were ambushed at YD 135666. The 40mm and .50 caliber return fire neutralized enemy positions. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

16 May 67

One Sect B/1/44

Elements at Con Thien received sporadic NVA mortar/artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

16 May 67

One Sect A/1/44
Two Sqds G/65

Elements at Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

161000H to
171100H May 67

Three Sqds G/65

Escorted engineer work party from Dong Ha to area south of Con Thien during Operation Hickory I.

170710H to
291200H May 67

Two Sects A/1/44

Direct support 2d Battalion 12th Marine Regiment, Operation Hickory I, via YD 134625. At 291200H May 67 the two (2) sections deployed via Con Thien and reverted to direct support 1st Battalion 9th Marine Regiment.

171205H May 67

One Sqd A/1/44

One (1) M42 hit mine while on convoy escort in direct support 2d Battalion 12th Marine Regiment, Operation Hickory I, via YD 134624. AT mine destroyed vehicle. Vehicle replaced 171400H May 67. Four (4) WIA, A/1/44 (MEDIEVAC) (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 171800H May 67).

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171830H May 67	One Sect D/1/44	Direct support 1st Battalion 4th Marine Regiment received sporadic mortar fire near Con Thien. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
17 May 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received seven (7) rounds unknown caliber rocket and sporadic artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
180315H to 180400H May 67	1(44)(-) G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base received 36-40 115mm rocket rounds. One (1) vehicle G/65 damaged slightly. Two (2) WIA, G/65 (NON-MEDEVAC). (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 181800H May 67).
180120H to 180338H May 67	G(-)/1/44 One Sect G/65	Elements at Camp J.J. Carroll received mortar/rocket attack. No damage to equipment. One (1) WIA C/1/44 (NON-MEDEVAC). (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 181800H May 67).
180800H to 181530H May 67	Two Sqds G/65	Roughrider convoy security escort for 9th Mtr Trans Bn between Dong Ha and Phu Bai.
181610H May 67	One Sqd D/1/44	Direct support 1st Battalion 4th Marine Regiment via Con Thien struck mine while M42 returning from an engineer sweep. Three (3) WIA (one MEDEVAC), extensive damage to track which was towed to Con Thien Base Camp. (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 181800H May 67).
19 May 67	One Sect B/1/44	Elements at Con Thien received intermittent mortar H & I fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
19 May 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received intermittent artillery H & I fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

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25 200945H to 201755H May 67	Two Sects B/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Convoy security from Dong Ha to Con Thien, Operation Hickory I. Two (2) sections B/1/44 replaced the two (2) sections B/1/44 in direct support 1st Battalion 4th Marine Regiment. Convoy returned to Dong Ha 201755H May 67. The elements at Con Thien received intermittent artillery fire.
210900H to 211630H May 67	Two sects B/1/44 One Sect G/65	Convoy security provided from Dong Ha to Con Thien, Operation Hickory I.
212255H May 67	1 M42 3(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base received combined rocket/artillery attack. No USA casualties in Sector II or damage to equipment.
220820H to 221525H May 67	Two Sqds G/65	Convoy security escort from Dong Ha to Con Thien, Operation Hickory I.
241000H to 251700H May 67	One Sect D/1/44	Direct support M/26 Marines via YD 890930.
24-31 May 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery/rocket II & I fire during the reporting period. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
24-25, 27-31 May 67	Two Sects A/1/44 Two Sects B/1/44	Elements at Con Thien received sporadic NVA artillery/mortar II & I fire during the reporting period. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
270400H May 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Direct support of 2d Battalion 12th Marine Regiment near Cam Lo received rocket/artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
270800H to 271500H May 67	Two Sqds G/65	Provided convoy security escort from Phu Dai to Operation Shawnee.
271145H to 280820H May 67	One Sect C/1/44	Two (2) M42s from Camp J.J. Carroll security for engineer road sweep from Ca Lu to vic YD 921419. Cleared route for Roughrider convoy 28 May 67.

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280800H to 281930H May 67	One Sect G/65	Four (4) M55s utilized as Roughrider convoy security from Dong Ha to Khe Sanh.
291200H May to Present	Two Sects B/1/44	Direct support 9th Marine Regiment vic Cam Lo.
291200H May 67 to 29 Jul 67	Two Sects A/1/44	Direct support 9th Marine Regiment vic Ban Thien.
301105H to 311400H May 67	Seven Sqds G/65	Seven (7) M55s dispatched as convoy security element for Roughrider from Dong Ha to Phu Bai-Choctaw operating area and return.
1 Jun 67 to Present	One Sect D/1/44	Direct support MCB-3 at Gia La.
010900H to 021400H Jun 67	Five Sqds G/65	Five (5) M55s were dispatched as convoy security escort from Dong Ha to Operation Choctaw-Phu Bai and re- turn.
030730H to 031600H Jun 67	Two Sqds G/65	Two (2) M55s at Phu Bai were dispatched as convoy security escort to Operation Choctaw. One (1) M55 hit a mine via YD 581309 at 031010H Jun 67. Vehicle, heavily damaged, was towed back to Phu Bai. Four (4) WIA G/65 (NON- MEDEVAC). (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 031800H Jun 67).
030715H to 031810H Jun 67	One Sqd A/1/44 One Sqd G/65	One (1) M42 and one (1) M55 at Gio Linh provided convoy security for three (3) 175mm guns and four (4) 105mm guns to vic YD 238716.
030730H to 031230H Jun 67	Five Sqds G/65	Five (5) M55s provided security for Roughrider convoy from Dong Ha to Phu Bai.
031800H to 041800H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery/mortar H & I fire. No USA casualties, minor damage to equip- ment.

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051040H to 061215H Jun 67	Five Sqds G/65	Five (5) M55s provided security for Roughrider convoy from Dong Ha to Phu Bai and return.
041800H to 051800H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Element at Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery/mortar H & I fire. No USA casualties, minor damage to 2 1/2 ton truck G/65.
060200H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Khe Sanh received approximately 20 enemy mortar rounds 060200H Jun 67. The two (2) M42s fired 40mm fires in direct support of friendly forces on Hill 950 vic XD 845455 which were being overrun. M42s fired a total of 1479 rounds destruction fire. Target coverage good. Results unknown. Three (3) VLA A/1/44 (12DEVAO) (Ref: 1/4 SITREP 061800H Jun 67).
061800H to 071800H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery/mortar H & I fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
091800H to 101800H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sects B/1/44 One Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received sporadic enemy mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
101200H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44	Elements at Gio Linh received four (4) incoming NVA mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
101800H to 111800H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received approximately 60 rounds of mortar fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
121300H Jun 67 to 211730H Jul 67	One Sect B/1/44	Direct support 12th Marine Regiment utilized as perimeter security for G/2/94 firing positions vic YD 212655.
120800H to 141800H Jun 67	Eleven Sqds G/65	Convoy security escort for Roughrider convoys from Phu Bai and Dong Ha to Khe Sanh and return.

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27 190800H to 191830H Jun 67; 210800H to 211750H Jun 67; 230800H to 231735H Jun 67; 250800H to 251800H Jun 67	Four Sqds G/65	Two (2) M55s from Dong Ha and two (2) M55s from Camp J.J. Carroll escorted Roughrider convoys from Dong Ha to Khe Sanh and return on respective dates.
260845H to 271615H Jun 67	Six Sqds G/65	Six (6) M55s dispatched as convoy security Roughrider from Phu Bai to Khe Sanh and return.
281000H to 281830H Jun 67; 300800H to 301800H Jun 67; 010800H to 011639H Jun 67	Four Sqds G/65	Dispatched as security escort for Roughrider from Dong Ha to Khe Sanh and return on respective dates.
271800H to 281800H Jun 67	Two Sects A/1/44 Five Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien and Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery/mortar fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
281800H to 291800H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received three (3) rounds NVA H & I artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
281800H to 291800H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Khe Sanh received 20-30 rounds of 102mm rockets while firing 200 rounds 40mm and 1000 rounds caliber .50 ammunition in defense of position. Results unknown. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
291800H to 301800H Jun 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received five (5) rounds NVA artillery H & I fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

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011800H to 021800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received sporadic NVA rocket and artillery fire. No USA casualties, minor equipment damage.
011800H to 021800H Jul 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Elements at Cam Lo received four (4) rounds NVA H & I artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
021800H to 031800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received intermittent heavy NVA H & I artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
021800H to 031800H Jul 67	2/44(-) G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base received approximately 120 rounds of NVA rocket and artillery fire. No USA casualties in Sector II or damage to equipment.
021800H to 031800H Jul 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Elements at Cam Lo received 20-30 rounds NVA artillery fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
031800H to 041800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery H & I fire. No USA casualties, one (1) PRC-25 radio handset G/65 damaged.
031800H to 041800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received intermittent heavy NVA rocket/artillery fire. One (1) MIA, A/1/44 (NON-MEDEVAC). M42s A/1/44 fired 400 rounds 40mm ammunition in direct support of USMC infantry (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 041800H Jul 67).
031800H to 041800H Jul 67	G/29 (SLT)	Three (3) personnel, G/29, KIA during ground attack via AT 815382. Casualties resulted from detonation of sapper charge. Heavy damage to equipment (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 041800H Jul 67).

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29 031800H to 041800H Jul 67	1/44(-) G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base received unknown number of NVA H & I artillery fire. No damage to equipment, no casualties to USA units in Sector II.
041800H to 051800H Jul 67	C(-)/1/44 One Sect G/65	Elements at Camp J.J. Carroll received approximately 13 rounds of mortar fire. C/1/44 fired approximately 1000 rounds 40mm countermortar fire. Results unknown. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
041800H to 051800H Jul 67	1/44(-) G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base received 12 rounds of artillery fire. No USA casualties in Sector II or damage to equipment.
041800H to 051800H Jul 67	1/44(-) G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base received unknown number of NVA H & I artillery rounds. No USA casualties in Sector II or damage to equipment.
051850H to 061800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received four (4) rounds NVA artillery H & I between 051850H and 060630H Jul 67. No damage to equipment, no USA casualties. Also received unknown number of rounds between 061700H and 061800H Jul 67. Two (2) WIA (NON-MEDEVAC) G/65. No damage to equipment. (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 061800H Jul 67).
060815H to 061720H Jul 67	Two Sqds G/65	Two (2) M55s dispatched as convoy security for 2d Battalion 9th Marine Regiment re-supply convoy from Cam Lo to Con Thien. One (1) M55 sustained light damage from NVA artillery H & I fires at Con Thien. No USA casualties.
051800H to 061800H Jul 67	1/44(-) G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base underwent NVA artillery attack. No USA casualties in Sector II or damage to equipment.

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061800H to 071800H Jul 67	Two Sects B/1/44	Direct support C/2/94 vic My Hoa fired 47 rounds 40mm against sus- pected enemy mortar positions. Results unknown.
061800H to 071800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery/rocket fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
061800H to 071800H Jul 67	1/44(-) G(-)/65 C(-)/1/44	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base and at Camp J.J. Carroll observed eight (8) Surface to Air (SAM) Missiles from launch to destruction. One (1) missile destroyed itself approximately 1000 meters south of Dong Ha Combat Base at 1500 feet altitude.
071800H to 081800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received NVA artillery H & I fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
071800H to 081800H Jul 67	1/44(-) G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base re- ceived an unknown number of NVA artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
081800H to 091800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received 15 artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
081800H to 091800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received NVA artillery H & I fires. No USA casualties. One (1) M55, G/65, lightly damaged.
091800H to 101800H Jul 67	1/44(-) G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base re- ceived 10 rounds NVA 140mm rockets. No USA casualties in Sector II or damage to equipment.
101800H to 111800H Jul 67	Two Sects D/1/44	Elements in direct support 4th Marine Regiment in Operation Cumberland re- ceived 40 rounds NVA mortar fire. No damage to equipment. Four (4) WIA. D/1/44 (three MEDEVAC). (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 111800H Jul 67).

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111800H to 121800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received sporadic NVA artillery II & I fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
111800H to 121800H Jul 67	Four Sqds G/65	Dispatched as convoy security escort for Roughrider from Dong Ha to Khe Sanh.
131800H to 141800H Jul 67	Three Sqds C/1/44	Direct support 3d Battalion 3d Marines, Operation Hickory II.
131800H to 141800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received ten (10) NVA mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
15 Jul 67 to Present	One Sqd G/65	Direct support 3d MARDIV, Senior Officer Present, Khe Sanh.
15 Jul 67 to Present	One Sqd G/65	Direct support Special Forces Camp, Lang Vei.
151800H to 161800H Jul 67	One Sect B/1/44	Two (2) M42s located on perimeter in Sector II Dong Ha Combat base fired 216 rounds 40mm at estimated 60 VC emplacing mortars. Target coverage good. Village chief reported that 40mm rounds had hit some VC. Exact results of mission undetermined.
151800H to 161800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received 20 NVA mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
171030H to 171610H Jul 67	One Sect B/1/44	Dispatched as convoy security for 1st Battalion 9th Marine Regiment re-supply from Can Lo to Con Thien.
161530H to 171200H Jul 67	Two Sqds G/65	Returned to Camp J.J. Carroll from Roughrider convoy to Camp Evans and Phu Bai.
161800H to 171800H Jul 67	One Sqd G/65	Direct support Special Forces Camp located vic YD 792370 fired 6500 rounds in support of defense of the camp. Two (2) enemy KIA (confirmed). No damage to equipment or USA casualties. (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 171800H Jul 67).

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171800H to 181800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received two (2) NVA artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
181800H to 191800H Jul 67	D/1/44	One (1) 2½ ton truck direct support 4th Marine Regiment hit a mine vic YD 539281. Mine estimated to be a 250 pound bomb. Extensive damage to rear of truck. No USA casualties.
181800H to 191800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received sporadic NVA artillery H & I rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
201800H to 211800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received eleven (11) artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
21 Jul 67	One Sqd C/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Direct support of 3d Marine Regiment moved from Ca Lu with One platoon M/3/3 to relieve 11th Engineer Support Unit and second platoon M/3/3 ambushed by estimated NVA regiment at XD 975433. Battalion elements played a key role in causing enemy to break contact and effecting a successful relief by firing 240 rounds of 40mm ammunition and 21,000 rounds of caliber .50 MG ammunition during engagement. One (1) KIA G/65, four (4) WIA G/65 (Three MEDEVAC) and one (1) WIA C/1/44 (MEDEVAC) (Ref: 1/44 SITREP 221800H Jul 67).
221800H to 231800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements at Gio Linh received eight (8) NVA artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
221800H to 231800H Jul 67	One Sect C/1/44 Two Sqds G/65	Elements on sweep vic XD 974432 with 3d Battalion 3d Marine Regiment and C/1/9 Marines received sporadic sniper fire. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

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271800H to 281800H Jul 67	Two Sects A/1/44	Elements at Gio Linh received 45 NVA mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
271800H to 281800H Jul 67	One Sect A/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Elements at Con Thien received ten (10) NVA artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
271800H to 281800H Jul 67	2(A)/65 G(-)/65	Elements at Dong Ha Combat Base received unknown number of NVA H & I artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment in Sector II.
281800H to 291800H Jul 67	Two Sects A/1/44	Elements at Gio Linh received 59 NVA artillery H & I rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
29 Jul 67	One Sect B/1/44 Three Sqds G/65	Direct support 3d Battalion 4th Marine Regiment at Con Thien received eight (8) NVA artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment. One section B/1/44 replaced one section A/1/44 at Con Thien.
291800H to 301800H Jul 67	Two Sects A/1/44	Elements at Gio Linh received forty (40) NVA artillery and sixteen (16) mortar rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.
301800H to 311800H Jul 67	Two Sects A/1/44	Elements at Gio Linh received ten (10) NVA artillery rounds. No USA casualties or damage to equipment.

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37	3	65	44
YD 235 585			

2	0	112	65 (MG)
YD 235 585			

7	0	144	29 (SLT)
AT 990 642			

13	3	144	1-44	YD 235 585
HHB				
6	0	136	1-44 D	YD 235 585
6	0	136	1-44 C	YD 235 585
6	0	136	1-44 D	YD 663 551
6	0	136	1-44	YD 876 147

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